

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Polk County,) Application No. 911-023.44
Public Safety Answering Point,)
Osceola, seeking funding) ORDER APPROVING FUNDING
approval for recurring and non-) REQUEST FOR MAINTENANCE
recurring costs of Enhanced)
Wireless 911 implementation.) Entered: May 6, 2008

BY THE COMMISSION:

By written request for funding dated April 15, 2008, Polk County, Osceola, sought funding from the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund for expenses for implementing and providing enhanced wireless 911 service.

In its application, Polk County sought non-recurring costs in the amount of **\$6,727.00** for one year of maintenance for its E911 Lifeline equipment necessary to provide enhanced wireless 911 service for the period of March 2008 through March 2009. Polk County has provided documentation to support its request and is seeking reimbursement for the expense.

The Enhanced Wireless 911 Advisory Board reviewed the request at its April 21, 2008 meeting and recommended that the Commission approve the request.

O P I N I O N A N D F I N D I N G S

This request for additional funding is being processed pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 86-442 to 86-470. (Cum. Supp. 2006), 291 Neb. Admin. Code, Chapter 1, Section 5, Progression Order No. 5 in Commission Docket No. 911-001, entered July 16, 2002 and the Interim Policy established in Progression Order No. 1 in Commission Docket No. 911-017/PI-116, entered February 13, 2007 (Interim Policy).

Based upon the request for funding, supporting documentation, and in consideration of the recommendation of the Advisory Board, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that costs requested, subject to the limitations set forth below, are eligible under Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-465 as all costs have been incurred or will be incurred for the purchase, installation, maintenance or operation of telecommunications equipment and telecommunications services required for the provision of enhanced wireless 911 service.

The Commission finds that maintenance of the equipment and software is essential to ensure the proper operation of the statewide 911 system and should be funded to the extent funds are available during this interim period, subject to change based upon the availability of funds and the permanent funding mechanism.

Therefore, the request for funding should be granted in the amount of **\$6,727.00**. Said amounts are consistent with the pricing set forth in the vendor's response to the RFP.

The Fund shall therefore pay to Polk County the amount of **\$6,727.00** consistent with the terms of this order and the amounts.

The Commission reserves the right to deny any future costs associated with similar funding requests consistent with amendments to the Interim Policy or the establishment of a permanent funding mechanism.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund shall pay to Polk County the amount of **\$6,727.00** consistent with the terms of this order.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 6th day of May, 2008.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chair

ATTEST:

Executive Director